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Letter dated 19 October 2006 from the Chairman of the Third Committee to the Chairman of the Fifth Committee

In my capacity as Chairman of the Third Committee, I have the honour to refer to the note by the Secretariat (A/C.3/61/L.2) containing the text of a draft resolution entitled "Strengthening the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Programme and the role of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice as its governing body", which the Economic and Social Council, by its decision 2006/256, had decided to transmit to the General Assembly.

The draft resolution was transmitted under agenda item 98, Crime prevention and criminal justice, which has been allocated to the Third Committee. In view of its substance, however, and in pursuance of General Assembly resolution 45/248 B of 21 December 1990 in which the Assembly reaffirmed, inter alia, that the Fifth Committee was the appropriate Main Committee of the Assembly entrusted with responsibilities for administrative and budgetary matters, I wish hereby to transmit the above-mentioned draft resolution to the Fifth Committee for its consideration.

(*Signed*) Hamid **Al Bayati**
Chairman of the Third Committee

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